

November 5, 2013 General Election

In accordance with Title 1, Chapter C, Subchapter C, Section 2.053 of the Texas Election Code, a governing body of a political subdivision may declare each unopposed candidate elected to office and cancel the election upon certification that:

1. The deadline for placement on the General Election ballot and declaration of write-in candidacy has passed;
2. That each candidate on the ballot is unopposed for election to office; and
3. There are no propositions to appear on the ballot in that election.

BENBROOK CITY COUNCIL

At the September 5, 2013 Benbrook City Council meeting, the City Secretary certified that the following candidates are unopposed in the November 5, 2013 General Election:

Mayor, Place 1	Jerry Dittrich
Member of the Council, Place 3	Larry Marshall
Member of the Council, Place 5	Jim Wilson
Member of the Council, Place 7	Ron Sauma

An ordinance was adopted by City Council cancelling the November 5, 2013 General Election of Officers and declaring each candidate elected to office.

BENBROOK LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

At the September 30, 2013 Benbrook Library District Board meeting, the Executive Director will certify to the Trustees that the following candidates are unopposed in the November 5, 2013 General Election:

Trustee - Corky Baird
Trustee - Robert Christensen
Trustee - Aubra Gantt

An order has been prepared for Board adoption to cancel the November 5, 2013 General Election of Trustees and declaring each candidate elected to office.

BENBROOK WATER AUTHORITY

The Benbrook Water Authority will hold their General Election for Board Members on November 5, 2013. Candidates for the three Board Member places are:

Gary Corlies
David R. Clark
Dennis G. Lindgron
Rick Whitehurst

Early Voting and Election Day information will be available on the Benbrook Water Authority's website www.bwsa.org.

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7TH ANNUAL BENBROOK HERITAGE FEST

"Cowboy Roundup"

Join us for the 7th annual Heritage Fest celebration! **This free-admission, family-friendly, fun-filled day includes games and activities, arts and crafts vendors, great festival food, and music.**

Enjoy dance and music performances by Sallie's School of Dance, Grupo Pakal, Ballet Folklorico de Fort Worth, and the Fort Worth Scottish Pipes and Drums. Stroll the park to visit the Native American Village and the Mexican Village, and watch Sunset Mountain Miniature horse performances. This year, the festival will include a Pumpkin Patch! Be sure to purchase one to take home for the fall season.

Benbrook's 4PAWS pet adoption organization will be onsite with adoptable dogs, so come prepared to adopt your new pet!



Stop by the petting zoo, enjoy the bounce house, and ride the mini-train around the grounds. Bluegrass band "Salt Creek" will perform at 4:00pm.

Join us in this special heritage celebration in Benbrook, Texas. See you there!

For more information contact Patty Bissey at 817 249-6087 or pbissey@benbrook-tx.gov www.benbrook-tx.gov/heritagefest



October 19, 2013

10:00am-5:00pm

Dutch Branch Park

1899 Winscott Road

Benbrook Community Center/YMCA

The Benbrook Community Center/ YMCA (BCC/YMCA) will host its **annual Book Fair on October 13-26** during normal business hours. Choose from hundreds of used books/videos at very reasonable prices. **All proceeds benefit the Step Up for Kids campaign.**

BCC/YMCA will host a **Texas Crime Prevention class on Thursday, October 24, from 1:00-2:00pm.** This special training will help individuals learn skills to protect themselves from violent crime. Anyone interested may attend, please stop by the front desk to register. The BCC/YMCA is organizing **a new volunteer program, the Social Responsibility Group.** This group will meet monthly and take part in city-wide events,

and assist local organizations. **For more information, contact Tonya Gertz at 817-249-0500.**

Registration is now open for winter basketball. The league is for youth ages 3-15 years. Register early for these limited spots.



1899 Winscott Road
817-249-0500

Benbrook Spirit of Christmas Help our Angels...



Benbrook is celebrating 27 years of providing Christmas gifts to children attending Benbrook schools through the “Spirit of Christmas” program. By sponsoring a child or family, you will truly brighten their holidays. It’s such a simple process, and the difference you make for a child is immeasurable.

Each year, school counselors identify students living in financially struggling households. These families supply their clothing needs, in addition to toy items on the children’s ‘wish list’.

“The generosity of Benbrook residents is incredible.” says Beth McKnight-Crumpton, program chair, “Each year the program grows, and each year our community steps up to help those in need.”

Sponsors are provided family information (ages, sizes, and needs), go shopping, wrap and tag gifts,

and take them to **Benbrook United Methodist Church’s Life Center on drop-off dates (December 16th or 17th).**

New this year: For those that want to help, but don’t have the time or funds to provide everything on a wish list, there is another option. Gift Collection Boxes will be available around town in several business locations, including Pinnacle Bank and the Benbrook Community Center/YMCA. Simply drop new, unwrapped gifts in the box, and volunteers will match it to one of the children on the list. Gift items can be a coat, clothes items, shoes, a game, toy, or book. Your generosity is appreciated!

If you would like to sponsor a child or family, please contact Beth McKnight-Crumpton at (817) 825-5243 or spiritofchristmas01@gmail.com. Sponsors and those wishing to volunteer for the program can also sign up online at **www.benbrookspiritofchristmas.org.**

Benbrook Senior Citizens Center

1010 Mercedes Street
Benbrook, Texas 76126
817-249-6300

Annual Craft Show & Sale

**Friday and Saturday, October 25-26
8:00am - 4:00pm**

- Handcrafted Items
- Great Gift Ideas
- Support Local Crafters
- Proceeds benefit the Benbrook Senior Center, Benbrook Student Scholarship Program, and the Intrepid Fallen Hero Fund



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City Council:

Jerry Dittrich, Mayor
Charlie Anderson, Place 2
Larry Marshall, Place 3
Rickie Allison, Place 4
Jim Wilson, Place 5
Mark Washburn, Place 6
Ron Sauma, Place 7

Benbrook City Council
meets on the 1st and 3rd
Thursday of each month
at 7:30pm at City Hall
911 Winscott Road.

For more information call
817-249-3000 or visit
www.benbrook-tx.gov

2013 Benbrook BBQ Cook-Off Event

Saturday, October 19, 2013
Classic Event Center - 4954 U.S. 377
11:00am - 2:00pm

Call for Judges!



How would you like to taste some lip-smacking samples of BBQ from some of the top cookers in the state? The Benbrook Area Chamber of Commerce (BACC), along with Devon Energy, presents the 2013 Benbrook BBQ Cook-Off, featuring top cook teams from across the Metroplex and the great State of Texas. **Volunteers are needed to judge the BBQ!**

Cook teams will bring their best skills to the event, competing for cash prizes and championship qualification. Volunteer judges will enjoy samples of chicken, pork spare ribs, and beef brisket with jackpot pinto beans.

If you would like to participate as a judge, please contact the Benbrook Area Chamber of Commerce office at 817-249-4451 or email info@benbrookchamber.org. Names will be added to the judging list on a first-come, first-serve basis.

The Benbrook BBQ Cook-Off is a state competition sanctioned by the International Barbeque Cookers Association (IBCA).

Cook Team Registration is located on the BACC website at www.GoBenbrook.com.